



Seasons Greetings

We can feel the excitement build as the winter break approaches, and our students (and colleagues!) turn their thoughts to winter break, some time with family and good friends, shopping and some special presents, and another new year. I always enjoy this break because it gives us some time to put aside the pressures of our profession, no matter how rewarding it is, and relax with folks I don't get to see often.

Please take with you my very best wishes for a relaxing vacation, and a great time with your family. May your travels be safe, may you be blessed with wonderful holidays this season, and may you be granted cherished memories to last a lifetime.

Warmest wishes to you and yours. Cheers!

Best regards,
Superintendent Gary Cohn



Beyond the Call of Duty



Thanks to Kaylie Rinehart and Chelsea Braun, AmeriCorps volunteers at Fairview Elementary, for their hard work and dedication to helping the staff, teachers and students at Fairview, and for their contributions to the community of Port Angeles. You are terrific! (Kaylie and Chelsea, shown here decorating the cart with Food Bank donations, are 2003 graduates of Port Angeles High School.)



NJROTC WINS BIG AT COMPETITION
On Saturday, December 9, the Port Angeles High School NJROTC competed against 16 other schools in the *Northwest Drill and Rifle Conference*. Port Angeles took 15 medals and awards! Physical fitness teams took first place and fourth place, and rifle teams took second and fourth place. The Color

Guard tied for fourth place and other cadets received numerous individual awards. Congratulations! **Bottom row**, left to right: Christina Park, Krystin Cargo, Sandra Guoan, Tila Gannon, Justin Larsen, Michael Jensen, Joshua Emerson, Angela Ybarra-Dunn. **Second row**: Sarah Daugaard, Kala Griffith, Breanna Martin, Shayna Butcher, Kent Wilkinson, Virginia Brady, Rebecca Jones, Josie McGahan. **Third row**: Malissa Dills, Elizabeth Hanna, Shaelin Nickey, Brittany Crouse, Ben Catterson, Devon Clark. **Top**: Major Leo Campbell, Elijah Hauff, Kayleigh Deslauries, Jacob Whetham, and Master Chief Jeff Perry.



The Port Angeles High School Symphonic Choir was invited to sing the national anthem at the December 8 Seattle SuperSonics basketball game against the New Orleans Hornets at KeyArena in Seattle. The photo above shows the choir, directed by Jolene Dalton Gailey, performing at KeyArena. (Seattle won the game 94-74.)

Schedule

Dec. 15	Last Day for Staff and Students	
Dec. 22	CSB Closed Holiday	
Dec. 25	CSB Closed Holiday	
Dec. 26	CSB Closed - Non-Workday	
Dec. 27	CSB Closed	
Dec. 28	CSB Open 8-5 pm	
	*ONLY DAY FOR PAYCHECK PICKUP	
Dec. 29	CSB Closed Holiday	
Jan. 1	CSB Closed Holiday	
Jan. 2	School Resumes	
Jan. 4	Elementary Principals 3:00 p.m.	CSB
Jan. 4	ILT - 4:00 p.m.	CSB

Levy Resources

Visit *Levy News* online at www.portangelesschools.org for updated information about the February 6, 2007 maintenance and operations levy. You can ask a question here, find out about voting, levy history, what the levy pays for, and other valuable information. Our Board of Directors is available to answer specific levy questions:

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Noteworthy Dates

Saturday, January 6, 2007: Mail-In Voter Registration Must Be Postmarked

Wednesday, January 17, 2007: Maintenance and Operations Levy Ballot Sent

Tuesday, January 22, 2007: Final Day for In-Person Voter Registration